

the Solution thereof, you will not only gain Applause from me, your constant Admirer, but will pass throughout all England for a Society of Learned Gentlemen, skill'd in all Sciences both Natural and Experimental. I remain

Your faithful Friend,
Ulysses.

Vint my uyt' getall dat meer als een en min-
des dan twee sonder een gebrooken.

The Society bidding the Clerk read the Dutch Sentence, in English thus express'd himself.

Find me out a Number that is more than One,
And less then Two without a Fraction.

We are Taught to call nothing Impossible, by the Gentleman, who sent as seeming an Impossibility as this; and was Angry at its being so nam'd.

There may be Dutch Pieces, that are between the Value of one Farthing and two, for ought we know; but we should be exceeding glad to find such an intire Number, without a Fraction, between One and Two, as is desir'd; but own our selves incapable of such improvement of Multiplication, and shall think you deserve the best Epithete that Homer gives to your Name-sake, if you can oblige the World with such a Novelty; we not well perceiving from whence the Material, to make this Child of Invention, can come, without lessening two, and enlarging one with the dissected parts; which we are afraid, People will call a Fraction; but however, we are willing to be inform'd.

Gentlemen,

ALL things that come before your Society, are not Matter of Fact; but a thing which may be, deserves, we hope, your Consideration, as well as Reality. Suppose therefore, That I meeting with abundance of Crosses, am weary of my Life, and would willingly die, but not kill my self; therefore I find a Friend, who has a Knife in his hand, and be yielding to my Motion, I direct his hand to my Throat, and make him cut it; do I make it his Act, or is it self Murder?

I allow the folly of such a desperate Method of proceeding under Calamities, and only desire your Opinion on the supposed Fact.

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Yours, &c.
H. D.

This is so far from lessening the Guilt, thatt you not only Ruin your self, Body and Soul by the Act, but draw in (your Friend I cannot call him, but) the second Person at least, into the destruction of the last; if the Law would not seize his Body, for you are both Causes, one the Mediate, t'other the immediate; but I think, in Cases of Murder, the Law allows of no Accessories, but all Parties are Principals, and he that does not prevent Murder, commits it; nay, if you your self should know of a Person's design against your Life, and not avoid him, 'tis a self Murder, and you Cause him to Sin, because you do not put it out of his Power to do it. We pray Heaven to keep the Supposition from coming to Matter of Fact, but we reckon the Consequence would extend as far as we have laid it, should it ever happen to come to Experiment.

Gentlemen,

I Love a Lady with abundance of Reason; another Gentleman pretends to the same Person; shall I force him to fight me, if he will not lay aside all his Pretensions to her? you being nice Judges of Honour, will not advise me any thing contrary to this or Reason, and I shall be wholly ruled by your Answer.

Gentleman,
Your Humble Servant,

Rationalis.

This Gentleman is a Wonder that ought to be Chronicled in Love's Records; For Lovers generally (especially where the Lady has Reason to be belov'd) are without Reason themselves, and are so far from asking Advice, that there is no talking to them; and they are for sending a Rival to the Devil, without giving him time to resign the Title disputed on. But, Sir, you being not such an one, may be advised, tho' in this Case you have left out the most Material Circumstance, which is, the Disposition of the Lady; for 'tis not as your Rival's Affections are, but as the Lady's, that must determine the Matter. Now the must be either

1st. Kind to you, and contrary to him. Or,
2dly, Kind to him, and otherwise to you.
Or,

3dly, Un-

2dly, Unkind to both; for we can scarce suppose her to Love both.

If she be the first, what reason have you to kill your Rival? the ends that you could propose by it, must be to gain her Love; why, you have it already, so there is no occasion for that; besides, Sir, Consider by the Happiness you find in the Lady's Love, you must be sensible how unhappy he is in the loss of it; and sure this is enough without that further Persecution.

If she be the second, 'tis a worse Folly to fight him.

*The foolish Heroe fondly thinks to gain,
Coy Ladys Heart, when as his Rival's slain;
But she in Tears continues forward still,
Hugs the dear Ground where her poor Lover
fell,
And hates the more the Cause of all her ill.*

Can you gain her Love by displeasing her, by taking away the things she doated on? you might as well rattle down her China, and over-turn her Toyler, by way of Complement, to oblige her? No, you kill her in him, and Women hate a Murderer, tho' they hate the Man murdered too. Besides, a Man of Reason (as you are) cannot think that Woman is worth the fighting for, who has placed on another her Affections; besides, he cannot help it, and you would have the same; And if she be unkind to both, why then should you fight him, he does you no Damage in your Amour; because he has no greater Advantage than you: and I think you ought, the rather, to be more intimate Friends, and comfort your selves under the same common Miscarriage?

Solamen miseris Socios habuisse doloris.

If she should happen to be kind to both, we imagin she has enough for either, in other words; if she be a W——, there is less Reason than in any other of the Cases before stated; but we cannot suppose that, because you say I love a Lady with Abundance of Reason.

IN Mr. W. R's Letter about Pawn-broakers, We do not question but such an honest Man may be found as he speaks of; for 'tis a hard Battle where none escape. And we believe such a Gentleman will be willing to be of the intended Corporation, and they as willing to receive

him; The Methods of it we don't think fit to publish, if we could: But, however, If he has a Desire to treat with Inventors, upon notice given, he shall know how to hear of them; and, we presume, those Gentlemen, will not be angry at such Communication: If they are, they are desired to signify their Dislike, and it shall not be revealed.

MR. *Philo Review's* Letter is sent into the Country, to the Author, who being a great way off, 'tis hoped he will excuse this delay, upon Promise that he shall have a full Answer to it, as soon as possible.

WE think it Impracticable to deliver our Thoughts publicly on Mr. T. B's Letter, without Offence to every body, and therefore must leave it to the other Place of Advice; however, we will consider further of this Matter.

THE Gentleman, who sent the Society a Letter sign'd *Philalathes*, has an Answer lett for him at Mr. Matthews's.

THE Reader is desired to correct the following Error in our last; viz. p. 76. col. 1. l. 3. after 2dly, dele *Our Saviour said*.

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